

## CD 39 – CHILD DEVELOPMENT

### COURSE SYLLABUS

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Thursday, 3-6  
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This course will provide concepts and principles of child development, including biological and environmental influences on the child's growth and development from conception through early school age.

### COURSE OUTLINE

- A. Child Development: Perspectives, Processes, and Research Methods – Chapter 1
- B. Theories of Child Development – Chapter 2
- C. Heredity and Environment – Chapter 3
- D. The Prenatal Period – Chapter 4
- E. Childbirth – Chapter 5
- F. Development – Infancy to Pre-Adolescent
  - 1. Infancy – Chapter 6 & 7
  - 2. Language Development – Chapter 8
  - 3. Early Childhood Development – Chapter 9, 10 & 11
  - 4. Middle Childhood Development – Chapter 12, 13, & 14
    - a) Child Abuse
      - 1) types of abuse
      - 2) laws pertaining to abuse
      - 3) mandated reporters
      - 4) signs of abuse, cause and treatment

**GRADING:** The final grade will be determined on the basis of accumulated points from the following assignments:

	<u>POINTS</u>
1. Exams	10 each
2. Observation and Case Study	
a) 12 hours (6 weeks) – minimum requirement	25
b) 24 hours (12 weeks)	50
3. Articles	5 each
4. Activities – in class	5 each
5. Attendance and participation	10

### EXAMS:

- 1. Three to four written exams covering text and lecture notes
- 2. Point value of letter grade = A-10, B-8, C-6, D-4, F-0
- 3. You are allowed to make up one exam during the semester within one week

### **OBSERVATION AND CASE STUDY:**

1. Select a school
2. Observe one child (someone other than your own)
3. Complete an observation sheet for each observation
4. Have teacher sign student attendance sign-in sheet
5. Complete a written case study – see handout – **DUE – THURSDAY, DEC. 3**

### **ARTICLES:**

1. Selected articles will be provided for you to read and write a response paper

### **ACTIVITIES:**

1. In class activities will be provided several times during the semester to promote application of the material.
2. The activities are done in small groups. The total points are between 0-5, based on the groups level of successful completion.
3. Groups will be required to present an oral report in class or submit a written report that day.
4. There are no make-ups for missed activities. You are allowed to drop one activity, therefore if you miss one that is the one that will be dropped.

### **ATTENDANCE AND PARTICIPATION**

1. Miss class 3 time – points are lost

**\*\*ALL LATE ASSIGNMENTS WILL RECEIVE REDUCED POINTS\*\***

**FINAL EXAM: TUESDAY, DECEMBER 15, 1998 – 3:30-5:50 P.M.**

**LAST DAY TO DROP WITHOUT PENALTY – FRIDAY, OCTOBER 16, 1998**